

RULES -Eligibility

- Awards open to pedigree Dalmatians of not less than twelve months on day of competition.
- A dog that is bilaterally blind or deaf may not enter.
- All equines must be aged 4 years or older.
- A bitch in season or that has whelped 90 days prior to the day of the trials may not enter.
- Any groom handlers must be capable of assisting the whip in an emergency and must compete facing forward.
- Dogs may be entered to qualify only (QO).
- Dogs may be entered NFC
- Direct entry to silver class is permissible.

Health and Safety

- All competitors, whips and escort riders must provide proof of adequate third party insurance and sign the disclaimer and acceptance of the rules.
- The organisers shall have the right to determine a competitor's riding or driving ability, the groom's competence and knowledge of emergency procedure and inspect the turnout before allowing him/her to compete.
- Mobile phones must be carried and turned on during the endurance trial.
- Only dogs entered in the trial and the distraction dog shall be allowed within the obedience area. All dogs shall be kept on the lead when not competing.
- A judge or vet will disqualify any dog that attempts to attack any person; horse or another dog on the grounds and the dog shall immediately be removed from the course.
- No extending leads to be used at any time when mounted on horse or carriage.
- No equine to be tied up while put to. No equine to be left tied up and unattended.
- All riders must wear safety helmets and suitable footwear. Safety helmets to be worn at all times when on a vehicle.
- All adult whips must be aged 18 years or more and must be accompanied by a groom aged 14 years or more on the day of the event. A junior whip must be aged 16 years or more and must be accompanied by an able bodied, experienced whip aged 18 years or more on the day of the event. The organisers may consider exceptions to the above ages of grooms but the applications must be supported by a letter of competence from the competitor's local driving club.
- Whips are requested to show consideration to riders that they may encounter on the course.
- A ridden competitor is encouraged to choose for safety and enjoyment to have an un-entered companion rider with him on the distance trial course. This escort may not give any commands or signal to any of the entered dogs.
- Riders are advised that they may encounter carriages on the course at any time and are required to make sure that their horse is accustomed to them.

The organisers reserve the right to: refuse any entry without stating a reason; amend the rules prior to the competition; substitute judges; cancel or change, divide or amalgamate any class or alter the course for any reason whatsoever.

The decision of the judge or vet shall be final subject to the appeals procedure under rule 6.13.

All entries are accepted or rejected entirely at the organisers' discretion. It is recommended that competitors familiarise themselves with the full rules and regulations available to download from the website or on request.

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NATIONAL CARRIAGE DOG TRIALS

*Ridden and driven obedience and endurance
with Dalmatian dogs.*

SATURDAY 6th September 2014



**LINCOMB FARM, LINCOMB
STOURPORT ON SEVERN
WORCESTERSHIRE DY13 9RB**

By kind permission of Mr and Mrs T. Symonds

Judges

Carriage: Miranda Purves

Road : Cynthia Styles-Forsyth

Canine Veterinary: Rachel Mowbray BVSc MRCVS

*The Trials are made possible by generous sponsorship
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Equine Veterinary: Jenny Letherbarrow B.Vet.med MRCVS

Organised by the British Carriage Dog Society

CDG	Carriage Dog Gold
CDG-GH	Carriage Dog Gold (Groom Handler)
RDG	Road Dog Gold
CDS	Carriage Dog Silver
CDS-GH	Carriage Dog Silver (Groom Handler)
RDS	Road Dog Silver

Dogs at least 18 months old on day of competition

CDB	Carriage Dog Bronze
CDB-GH	Carriage Dog Bronze (Groom Handler)
RDB	Road Dog Bronze
CDC	Carriage Dog Certificate Obedience only
RDC	Road Dog Certificate Obedience only

Dogs at least 12 months old on day of competition

LEVEL	DISTANCE	TIME ALLOWANCE	OBEDIENCE % REQUIRED TO QUALIFY
Bronze	10 km	1.5 hours	50%
Silver	20 km	3 hours	60%
Gold	40 km	6 hours	70%

All levels require a 50 % Veterinary Score to qualify

It is STRONGLY recommended that competitors attend the pre-trials briefing and course review on Friday 5th September 2014

Competitors are recommended to familiarise themselves with the full description of exercises in the rules available to download from the website or on request.

Pre-trial letters will be sent out before the trials.

Competitor guidelines are also available to download or from the society.

Carriage Dog Trials are a sport. The organisers of the trials expect that participants will be guided by the principles of good sportsmanship. This includes behaving in an appropriate and courteous manner, during the trials and throughout the event. Foul language and abuse, or mistreatment of dogs or horses will result in instant disqualification and withdrawal of society membership.

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Carriage Exercises 2014	
Axle at walk and halt	20m walk with halt Bronze:5 seconds Silver: 10 seconds Gold: 15 seconds
Axle at trot	Trot a figure of eight over 200m
Stay	In axle position or near the carriage Bronze: 1 minute, Silver 1.5 minutes, Gold: 2 minutes
Axle with Distraction	Trot past distraction dog
Speed	Increase speed over 100m
Overall impression	Overall impression
Road Exercises 2014	
Recall	Leave dog and call to hock at walk
Hock	Bronze: trot a figure of eight over 200m Silver and Gold: walk and trot a figure of eight over 200m
Stay	A sit, down or stand stay Bronze 1 minute, Silver 1.5 minutes, Gold 2 minutes
Hock with Distraction	Trot past distraction dog
Speed	Increase speed over 100m
Overall Impression	Overall Impression

Awards and Prizes

Carriage Dog Champion

Road Dog Champion

Groom's Award

Winner Silver Carriage Dog (whip)

Winner Silver Carriage Dog (groom)

Winner Silver Road Dog

Winner Bronze Carriage Dog (whip)

Winner Bronze Carriage Dog (groom)

Winner Bronze Road Dog

Best Conditioned Dog

Best Conditioned Horse

Best Rescue Dog

Judges Special

The British Dalmatian Club Trophy

The Dappledice Rose Bowl

Dolly's Cup

Tyrodal Trophy

Nell's legacy

Roadcoach Trophy

The Ostler's Mug

Annie's Award

North of England Dalmatian Club Trophy

Truett Memorial Trophy

Special Rosette awarded by BCDS

Tanstar Trophy

Trophy donated by Sophy White